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United States General Accounting Office Washington, DC 20548

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Iclain Against Army Set-Off Action

Chandler Trailer Convoy, Inc. 8828 New Benton Highway Little Rock, Arkansas

Attention: Winston G. Chandler president

Gentlemen:

We refer to your claim for \$1,087.50, that was set off by the U.S. Army Claims Service for damage to a mobile home belonging to Richard L. Abell, Jr. The unit was transported on Government bill of lading K-3153276.

Examination of the claim shows that your corporation is not liable for the following items and amounts of damage:

	Amount
<u>Item</u>	\$ 54
Mash Basin	240
Doors (bathe)	50
Wall Covering (baths) Exterior Panels (8 sheets)	136
Television Tuning	40
Smoke Detector, Bed and Dresser	30
Glasses	32
Mirrors	24
Statuette (Panther)	22.50
	\$628.50



As to the remaining items, in the total amount of \$450, the Government has a prima facie case of carrier liability.

Accordingly, we have instructed our Claims Group, Financial and General Management Studies Division, to allow \$628.50 of the amount claimed. You should receive notice of settlement in due course.

Sincerely yours,

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